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DEATH.

On the night of the 4th inst., at the Government

Civil Hospital, WILLIAM FRANK STEWART,

Bewickburg, Scotch Refinery, aged 25; a native of

Glasgow, Scotland. (2613)

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, NOVEMBER 6th, 1896.

It might prove unfortunate for China if she

were to take too literally a statement in the

N. C. Daily News to the effect that the

British Foreign Office long ago made up its

mind never to be provoked into coercing

China by force. The statement is inaccurate,

no such determination having been arrived

at. It is little more than twelve months

ago, indeed, that it became merely a question

of hours whether China would comply with

England's ultimatum or submit to reprisals

along the Yangtze. The Admiral had his

instructions, the whole programme was ar-

ranged, and had Peking proved obdurate

the programme would have been carried

out. That was in connection with the de-

mand for the degradation of the ex-Viceroy

of Szechuan as a punishment for having al-

lowed and instigated anti-foreign riots in

his province. The occasion was unfortu-

nately chosen, it is true, for the official

question had in fact already been dismissed,

and while the correspondence in the case

was slowly proceeding another anti-foreign

outrage occurred in another province, in-

finitely more serious than anything that had

happened in Szechuan; namely, the Wha-

sang massacre, the barbarity of which

startled and horrified the whole world; but

the ultimatum was presented in refer-
ence to the lesser Szechuan affair, and
the demands having been complied with,
the energy of our Foreign Office seemed
to be exhausted and the Whang-
sang affair was allowed to drop out of
after a shamefully inadequate repa-
ration had been made. The whole thing
was a muddle, but still the fact remains
that JOHN BELL, as represented by Lord
SALISBURY, had his hand on his gun, and
was determined to fire if he was not obeyed.
China may perhaps be inclined to doubt now
whether after all force would have been
used had she continued to flout the demands
made upon her, but it is very undesirable
that she should be encouraged in such
doubts. As the English newspapers are
read in some of the yamens such a state-
ment as that made by our Shanghai mor-
ning contemporary is indiscreet, as being
calculated to create a false impression in
the minds of the mandarins that might lead
to actual and serious mischief. It is true that
England is slow to resort to force, but it is
certainly inaccurate that she has formed any
determination never to do so in the case of
China.

The article in our contemporary in which
the statement referred to occurs is a curious
mixture of fact and imagination, of sound
and false argument. We are told that it
was simply by bluff that Japan was induced
to retrocede Liao-tung, and that the con-
cessions made by China in the Cassini
Convention were also obtained by bluff,
which is all very true. "Our Foreign
Office, on the other hand, being better
"gifted with a certain bull-headed direct-
ness than with finesse, declines to
threaten where it does not intend to
follow the word with the blow; and it long
ago made up its mind never to be provoked
into coercing China by force. Knowing
that the Foreign Office will not back him
up, our Minister at Peking is too straight-
forward to use threats that he knows to be
empty; and he is thus reduced to a condi-
tion of practical impotence as aggravating
to himself as it is unsatisfactory to his
nationals. It would not be quite so bad
if the Taungli Yamen were not perfectly
"aware of his impotence; but Sir HALLIDAY
"MAGNANIMOUS in London sees his cards be-
hind his back, and telegraphs their value
to Peking, and he has no chance of bluffing
"if he were disposed to try it." We must
congratulate our contemporary on the thopness
of his simile as to Sir HALLIDAY MAGNANIMOUS
seeing the British Minister's cards behind
his back, which exactly explains the situa-
tion. We are then told that "Unfor-
tunately, Lord SALISBURY takes no interest
"whatever in the Far East, and while he is
"too old and too preoccupied to take up
"any of his subordinates to do it. Lord
"ROSEBERRY had a very much clearer idea
"of the importance to Great Britain of the
"Far Eastern question; he has studied it,
"takes an interest in it, and would long ago
"have taken a firm and intelligent position
"but for the opposition with which he was
"met from his political friends, which
"culminated recently in his resignation of
"the leadership of the Liberal party." It
may be true that Lord SALISBURY takes
no interest in the Far East, but the state-
ments made concerning Lord ROSEBERRY are
truly amazing. It was Lord ROSEBERRY
who was responsible, with Sir NICHOLAS
O'CONNOR, for the Convention by which
Great Britain agreed to the sending of
tribute missions from Burma to China,
and, moreover, the concession was not made
by a mere slip or as the result of a want
of consideration, but for reasons that, however
sound and weighty they may have seemed
to the statesman concerned, are such as
are generally summed up in the expressive
word "fink." Lord ROSEBERRY had been
much impressed by the difficulty that
Liu Yun-pu and his Black Flags gave
the French in Tonkin, he thought that
China was a great Power, that she might
make British rule in Upper Burma,
which territory had just then been an-
nexed, difficult or even impossible, and he
resorted to the expedient of buying her
off with a periodical tribute mission.

The recent collapse of China under a
blow from Japan may have opened
Lord ROSEBERRY's eyes to the ground-
lessness of his fears, but judging him by his
public acts he cannot be accorded any credit
for a clear idea of the importance to Great
Britain of the Far Eastern question nor for
any firmness or intelligence in his position
on the subject.

The P. O. steamer Shanghai, from China,
arrived in London on the morning of the 3rd
inst. for this port.

The M. L. steamer Salacia, with the next
French mail, left Saigon yesterday morning at
1 a.m. for this port.

Owing to the unfavorable state of the
weather yesterday, the wind blowing with a
strong easterly, the Hongkong steamer the
Triton-Port Rido which was postponed until
today. Should the weather be unfavorable to-
day the event will be again postponed until
tomorrow, when the day is available under
the conditions of the match.

A large audience assembled in Messrs. W.
Robinson & Co.'s music rooms at 5.30 yesterday
afternoon, the occasion being an invitation
and piano recital by Senor and Senora
Francisco de P. Barbat, who have recently
established themselves in the colony. Senor
Barbat has a fine voice and Senora
Barbat a sweet and flexible mezzo-soprano,
both make an excessive use of the tremolo,
after the style of the Spanish school, but
in English ears generally detract from the
pleasure of listening to a performance that
may in other respects be most excellent.

Senor Barbat also laboured under diffi-
culty yesterday, as he was suffering from
fever and had been confined to his room for
several days. Also the accompanist at the
concert was unable to attend and as Senor
Barbat had to perform alone, the accompanist
himself the performers were at a dis-
advantage in the duets and in the Senor's solos.

Notwithstanding these drawbacks, however,
the recital was most successful and afforded much
pleasure to the audience. The following was
the programme—

Overture—"Marcha" Elbow.
Nocturne—"La Tempête" Chopin.
Violoncello—"Bella" Mendelssohn.
Grand Duo—"La Traviata" Verdi.
Cavatina—"Cosa di Dio" Wagner.
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The Imperial German mail steamer Princess
left Shanghai yesterday at 10 a.m., and is ex-
pected to arrive tomorrow afternoon at
Shanghai. The steamer is a new one, and
is a Kowloon Club for cleaning and painting
the bottom.

REUTERS' TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLEMENT TO THE "DAILY PRESS"]

LONDON, 2nd November.

LI HUNG-CHANG.

It is stated in Peking that the Emperor was
advised to depose Li Hung-chang of all his
offices, but that he decided he should merely lose
a year's salary.

EUROPEAN COMBINATIONS.

It is believed in Vienna that the Triple Alliance
will not join in the collective action ad-
vocated by the French and Russian press
against Great Britain in the Egyptian
question, but that, on the contrary, the Triple
Alliance will probably side with Great Britain.

LONDON, 4th November.

THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

All returns so far point to a certain victory
for McKinley.

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VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The H. M. steamer *Solaris*, with the French Packet, will leave Singapore on the 5th inst., and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 8th instant. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 2d September.

THE S. S. C. steamer *Belgia*, with mails, left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 17th inst.

The P. M. steamer *Peru*, with mails, left San Francisco for this port, via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki, and Singapore, on the 26th inst.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The steamer *Cheydra*, from Calcutta and mails, left Singapore for this port on Saturday, the 24th inst.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The C. M. steamer *Myrina*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, passed the Canal on the 26th inst., and may be expected here at Singapore on or about the 7th inst.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Hector* and *Whites*, from Liverpool, left Singapore, on the 2nd inst. due here on or about Sunday, the 8th inst.

The "Shire" steamer *Radschirah*, left Singapore on the 3rd instant, and is due here on the 10th inst.

The P. O. steamer *Romney* left Singapore on this port on the 4th inst.

The N. P. steamer *Tacoma*, left Tacoma on the 17th inst. for Hongkong via Yokohama and Kobe, and may be expected here from Tacoma, on or about the 29th inst.

The N. P. steamer *Tacoma*, left Yokohama and left for Hongkong, via ports, on the 30th inst.

PASSED THE CANAL.
 OUTWARD—21st Sept.—Ulysses. 25th Sept.—
 Strathguy. 29th September—Agapeuthus.
 2nd October—Chingwuo, Yorgone. 6th
 October—Menzlay. 10th October—
 Yorgone. 14th October—Hekla. 20th
 October—Benimire, Cephalonia, Morren.
 23rd October—Falsphemus. 27th Oct.—
 Dordogne, Sachsen, Lombard. 30th Oct.—
 Gleifgryr, Purkhus, Yarra, Giscia. 3rd
 November—Fuking.
 INBOUND—30th Oct.—Medusa. 3rd Nov.—
 Eneucius, Canton, Oogack, Tosa Morn.

POST OFFICE NOTICES

627. The authorized List of Mails issued in connection with this paper is the one published twice each day in our Extra, which is corrected a much later hour than that given below.

The Postal Guide for 1896, revised to date will be found in the *Chronicle and Directory*, xix. This is the only authorized complete and correct Postal information published in English.

PAID DELIVERY CLOSING AT POST OFFICE AT 3.30 p.m. and 4 p.m. or in Letter Boxes in the afternoon by 12 and 3.30 o'clock Trams. Letter boxes at Post will be closed at 12.30 and 4 p.m.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE
For Sraton and Amoy—*For Pakshan*, to the 8th inst. at 8.30
For Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama—*For America*, to-day, the 6th inst. at 11.30 a.m.

For Singapore, Penang and Siam—Per
Aper, to-day, the 6th instant, at
4.00 P.M.
For Manila—Per *Zafra*, to-day, the
6th inst, at 4.30 P.M.
For Yokohama and Kobe—Per *Taiyuan*, to-
day, the 6th instant, at 5.00 P.M.
For Haiphong—Per *Hongkong*, to-day, the
6th instant, at 5.00 P.M.
For Hongkong and Fuzhou—Per *P. C. C.*
to-morrow, the 7th inst, at 8.30 A.M.
For Sanyou and Deli—Per *Taiac*, to-
morrow, the 7th instant, at 11.30 A.M.
For Canton and Amoy—Per *Denon*, to-
morrow, the 7th inst., at 2.30 P.M.
For Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria,
C.C. and Tacoma, Wash.—Per *Madang*, to-
morrow, the 7th instant, at 2.30 P.M.
For Vladivostok—Per *Tetaron*, on Mon-
day, the 6th inst., at 11.30 A.M.
For Port Darwin, Thursday I., Cooktown,
Brisbane, Melbourne and Melbourne.
For Cingoe, on Saturday, the 14th inst., at
11.30 A.M.
For Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria,
C.C. and Tacoma—Per *Bremner*, on Tues-
day, the 17th inst., at 11.30 A.M.

MAILS BY THE GERMAN PACKET.
The German Contract Packet *Prussien* will
be despatched on **TUESDAY**, the 10th inst.,
with mail for Bremen and London. For
countries beyond, via *Brindisi*, to

to the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Bannat,
Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, &c., on
Register closes at 7.30 A.M.
The mail closes at 8.00 A.M. Late letters till
8.30 A.M. with 10 cents extra postage.

**MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES
PACKET.**

The United States Mail Packet China will
be despatched on THURSDAY, the 12th inst.,
with mails for Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, San
Francisco, the United States, Canada and
Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows—
10.00 A.M. Register closes.
11.00 A.M. Post Office closes.

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